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**VIA EMAIL:** [73043-43680066@requests.muckrock.com](mailto:73043-43680066@requests.muckrock.com)

Mr. Martin Pfeiffer  
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Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

This letter is the final response to your May 15, 2019, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

“Reports, memos, documents, analyses of alternatives, or other records that consider, explain, and justify the arguments and decision to promulgate in the 2018 Nuclear Posture Review--and after--an 80 plutonium pit manufacturing requirement by 2030 for the US nuclear weapon complex. In other words, records that would permit me to understand the range of intra-linter- agency stockholder opinions and arguments as well as the technical, logical, economic, strategic, and political basis for understanding the choice of 80 pits. You may restrict your search for records to the period between and including 01/01 /2016 and 05/01 /2019. Please also include records relating to the choice of Savannah River as a pit manufacturing site also.”

Your request was received in this office on May 15, 2019. After a review of your request it was determined that your request is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense (DoD). Therefore, by copy of this letter, your request is transferred to the DoD Office of Freedom of Information. That office will correspond with you directly regarding your request. This closes your request with our office.

You may contact NNSA's FOIA Public Liaison, John Weckerle, FOIA Officer, by telephone at 1-866-747-5994, or by mail at Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Office of the General Counsel, PO Box 5400, Albuquerque, NM 87185, for further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. Contact information for OGIS: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone 202-741-5770; toll free 1-877-684-6448; or by facsimile (202) 741-5769.

There are no charges for processing your request. If you have questions about the processing of this request, please contact Ms. Christina Hamblen via e-mail at [christina.hamblen@nnsa.doe.gov](mailto:christina.hamblen@nnsa.doe.gov) or write to the address at the top of the first page. Please be sure to reference our Control Number FOIA 19-00210-H in any correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John E. Weckerle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Weckerle" clearly legible.

John E. Weckerle  
Authorizing and Denying Official

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